

REMARKS

It is noted that claim 2, that was part of this nationalized PCT application, as confirmed by the Office Action dated 10/22/2003, was inadvertently omitted in Applicant's Response to that Office Action. This omission was not noted by the Examiner. Claim 2 has been reproduced below, since it was never canceled.

Claims 1 – 10 and 12 - 18 remain in this application; claims 12, 16, 17 and 18 have been amended.

Claim 11 was rejected under 35 USC §§112 and 102. It has been canceled and incorporated in claim 12 in a manner to recite only a single pump. Claim 16 has been amended to depend from claim 12. Claims 17 and 18 were rejected under 35 USC §103, and have been amended to depend from claim 12.

Claims 1 and 3 – 10 were allowed. Since claim 2 was never rejected, and depends from allowed claim 1, it is allowable. Claim 12 was indicated as being allowable if written independently; this has been done. Since claims 13 – 18 now depend from allowable claim 12, they are now allowable.

In view of the amendments made herein, allowance of claims 1 – 10 and 12 – 18 is requested.

It is submitted that, in view of the above arguments, Applicant's claims 1 - 18 are patentable over the art cited by the Examiner.

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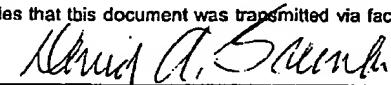
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